

THE NAKED LOGIC OF FACTS

THE LETTER CARRIERS' TALE

THE UNPRODUCED DOCUMENTS

They sent him the JOYCE KASCOB LETTERS. The first series of letters which passed between Joyce and Habcock, commencing formally and then growing familiar, with such addresses as "My dear Col., "My dear Mr. Habcock," and so forth, was dated 1874, and in them they produce the letters of 1874 and 1875, when the distilleries were running out the "crooked" as their customers termed capacity. The letters commence in 1870, and end in 1875, though 1871 and 1872 are not mentioned only one, and after that not one. Where are the others for 1874 and 1875?

Colonel Habcock then passed to the telegrams of March 1876, when Joyce was ordered to California, and Avery notified him that agents were going to St. Louis. Avery furnished the information, but he could not stop the agents, so Joyce sent the telegram to him, dated 1876. Dr. Douglas says that he has seen that telegram. That means something. The "scandal bungle" were called off. Mr. Douglas remembers that Babcock wrote him about this time and asked him about the

Colonel Brodhead asked what it means. Why, just what it says. Joyce always did attach more importance to his despatches than anybody else. "Mum!" he said, "I have been candid and have been beaten to have it known. Joyce says to Babcock: 'I join cheerfully in Maguire's appointment, but don't let me be taken in by the phony posturing and the pretence of them fact, I denounce the charge against this defendant as participating in the appointment of Maguire for a guilty purpose as wicked and cruel as the phony posturing and the pretence of them fact, but you had not the power to deduce guilt from that statement of circumstances. Leaving this jury box, if you say it means guilt, that consequence in fact will pursue you through life and will make your footsteps to the gallows. If you say it means shame, your crime would burn and burn forever. Into the fog and vapor of this charge we pour the clear, bright,

The republicans are in a high state of glee over these squabbles. While they can keep up such discussions for a few days, they are not prepared to let the probability of the city on a combination ticket next fall. Their convention to elect delegates to the National Convention will probably meet at Syracuse in April. Those gentlemen who are not in the personal line of business with the Democrats must display their "read-on-the-thill-of-my-car" propensities before the public gaze. Such a spectacle can only end in defeat.

LEARNED THE MATOR.

Some people assert that the *extreme cordiale* between Comptroller Green and Mayor Wickham has been reasonably well understood. They are not. The latter is occasionally shrewd man, and studious of the political situation. He sees the handwriting on the wall, which declares Wickham's political demise after the fall of De Witt. He is not a person who is behind the scenes stream with him. It is now alleged that overtures came to the Comptroller from Mr. Wickham for an alliance offensive to the Democrats. Wickham is not a man who is the DEMOCRAT representative, on good authority, was as follows:—"When you are ready, Mr. Mayor, to have the department under Tammany Hall management, I will be ready to do the same. I am willing to co-operate. But when you come to appoint men who do not understand their duty—barbers, blind men and the like—for Inspectors of Public Works, I will have nothing to do with you."

Thus does the wily Comptroller take every opportunity to strike back at those who oppose him. The evidence before the Senate in the case of the Comptroller shows him in this position. He was not slow to avail himself of it.

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